

**COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO
REDISTRICTING ADVISORY COMMITTEE
JUNE 13, 2011**

Agenda Item E. Communications Received

The attached correspondence has been submitted by the public to the Redistricting Advisory Committee and is not directly related to a specific item on the agenda. The attachment includes correspondence received from June 6, 2011 at noon to June 9, 2011 at 5 p.m.

The only action for the Committee to take is to note and file the receipt of the correspondence.

Potter, Andrew

From: Temple, Nicole
Sent: Tuesday, June 07, 2011 2:05 PM
To: Adam Day; Andrea Skorepa; Deanna Weeks; Dennis Ridz; Michel Anderson
Cc: Grudman, Rich; Pettingill, William L; Potter, Andrew; Haas, Mikel
Subject: Response to Ridz inquiry
Attachments: Ridz Inquiry 060611.docx

Redistricting Advisory Committee,

In response to a phone inquiry by Committee Member Ridz, I am sending the attached document for your information. Mr. Ridz asked for the population of portions of the cities of Vista and Oceanside that lie in District 3 under 06/02/11 RAC Draft Plan 3-1. Although this plan is no longer under consideration by your Committee, Mr. Ridz asked that it be used as the basis for calculating this information. As the attached document details, there are 5,614 people in the portions of the City of Vista that lie in District 3 under 06/02/11 RAC Draft Plan 3-1, and 121 people in the portions of the City of Oceanside that lie in District 3 under 06/02/11 RAC Draft Plan 3-1. Please let me know if I can answer any questions.

Sincerely,

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Question:

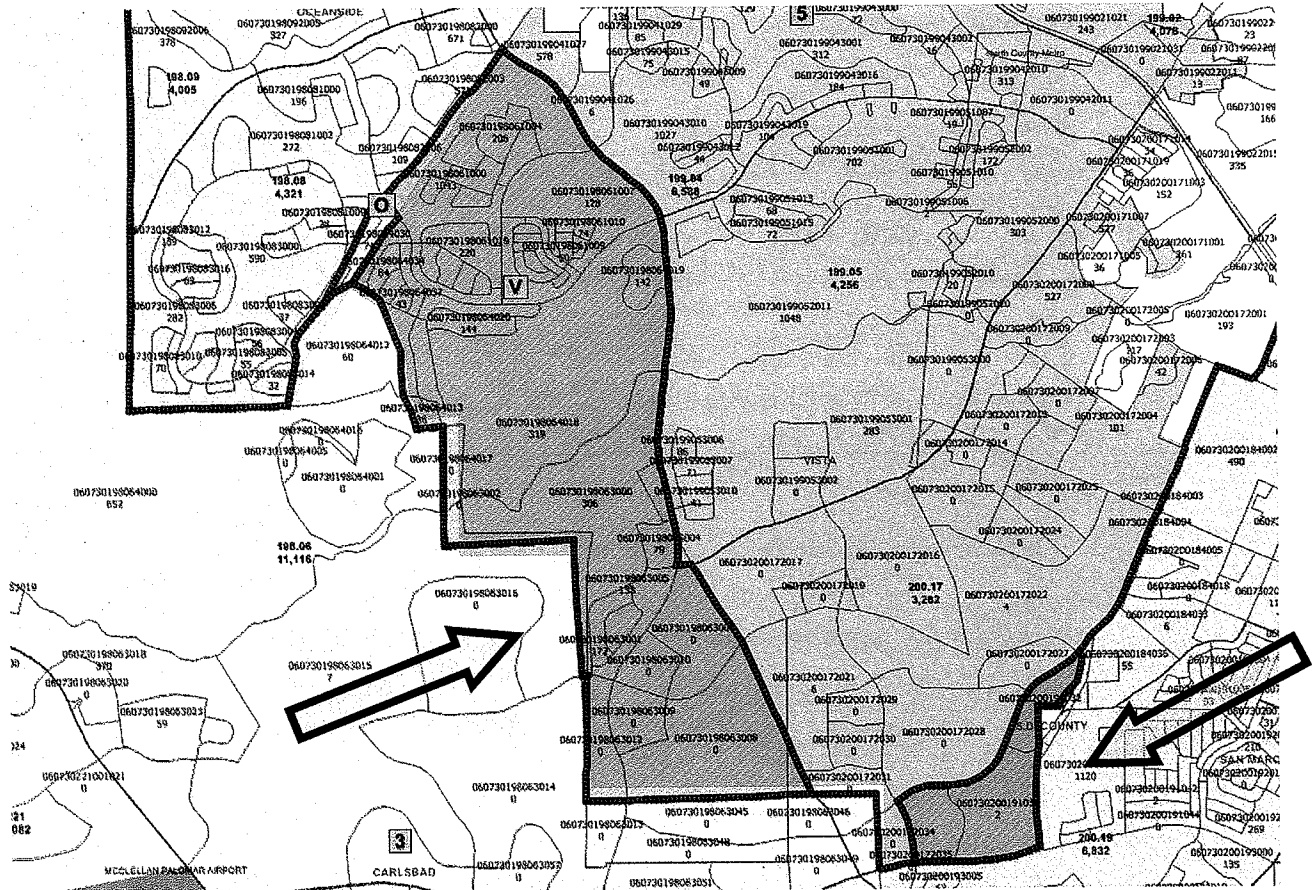
Using RAC Draft Plan 3-1, what is the population of the portion of the City of Vista that lies in District 3 under this plan?

U.S. Census 2010 Population = 5614

This includes portions of the City of Vista in Census tracts 198.06 and 200.19, specifically blocks:

60730198061000	60730198061015	60730198063006	60730198064024
60730198061001	60730198061016	60730198063007	60730198064025
60730198061002	60730198061017	60730198063008	60730198064026
60730198061003	60730198061018	60730198063009	60730198064027
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60730198061005	60730198061020	60730198063012	60730198064029
60730198061006	60730198061021	60730198063047	60730198064034
60730198061007	60730198061022	60730198064013	60730198064035
60730198061008	60730198061023	60730198064017	60730198064036
60730198061009	60730198063000	60730198064018	60730198064037
60730198061010	60730198063001	60730198064019	60730198064038
60730198061011	60730198063002	60730198064020	60730200191031
60730198061012	60730198063003	60730198064021	60730200191032
60730198061013	60730198063004	60730198064022	60730200191038
60730198061014	60730198063005	60730198064023	

These blocks are indicated in the two shaded areas labeled "V" in the screenshot below.



Using RAC Draft Plan 3-1, what is the population of the portion of the City of Oceanside that lies in District 3 under this plan?

This includes portions of the City of Oceanside in Census tracts 198.03 and 198.06, specifically blocks:

60730198031000	60730198031006	60730198033000	60730198064031
60730198031001	60730198031008	60730198033001	60730198064032
60730198031002	60730198031009	60730198033011	60730198064033
60730198031004	60730198031010	60730198033012	
60730198031005	60730198031011	60730198064030	

Potter, Andrew

From: CSG, Redistricting 2011
Sent: Thursday, June 09, 2011 11:53 AM
To: Charlene Ayers
Cc: Potter, Andrew; Pettingill, William L
Subject: RE: District Maps...

Ms. Ayers,

Thank you for your e-mail. The online Redistricting Plan Viewer does have a print feature that allows printing of maps in any scale. You can zoom in to a specific area in multiple redistricting plans, print these out and compare side-by-side.

County staff provided a brief tutorial on how to use the viewer for the Redistricting Advisory Committee and the public at the meeting of March 23 and at all of the district meetings. You may want to review the video of these meetings for additional information. These videos are posted online at www.sdcounty.ca.gov/redistricting under "RAC Meetings."

Again, thank you for your message. Your comments will be shared with the Redistricting Advisory Committee.

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Cc: "Potter, Andrew" <Andrew.Potter@sdcounty.ca.gov>; "Pettingill, William L" <William.Pettingill@sdcounty.ca.gov>
Sent: Mon, June 6, 2011 9:44:33 AM
Subject: FW: District Maps...

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Potter, Andrew

From: CSG, Redistricting 2011
Sent: Thursday, June 09, 2011 11:56 AM
To: christopher.cadelago@uniontrib.com
Cc: Potter, Andrew; Pettingill, William L
Subject: RE: date of next meeting?

Hi Chris,

The next Redistricting Advisory Committee meeting is scheduled for this afternoon (June 9) at 2:00 pm in Room 310 of the County Administration Center, 1600 Pacific Highway, San Diego 92101. The full schedule of County redistricting meetings is posted online here: <http://www.sdcounty.ca.gov/redistricting/Calendar.html>. Please let me know if I can answer any additional questions.

Thanks,
Nicole

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Sent: Monday, June 06, 2011 11:14 AM
To: CSG, Redistricting 2011
Subject: date of next meeting?

Thanks,

Chris

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Potter, Andrew

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Subject: RE: Same con...: District Maps...

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From: "patsyfritz@aol.com" <patsyfritz@aol.com>
To: char.ayers@att.net
Sent: Mon, June 6, 2011 12:37:24 PM
Subject: Re: District Maps...

"I am sure you will agree that the viewer is fairly easy to use."

That's always a con line. It's said (usually written) because we as a society have been raised NOT to say "Not so fast! Don't be so "sure" of yourself. I distinctly DON'T agree with ... " (whatever bullshit they are trying to shovel at you).

After about 50 years of putting up with what is a deliberately off-putting statement designed to back off opposition, I finally got enough gumption to start saying, "No, I don't agree with (whatever they are shoveling) and in a million years I wouldn't agree. You're going to have to tell me the truth."

Unfortunately, this leaves them speechless. They know how to dish out the smarm. but won't cough up the truth ("This process was just designed to bamboozle the citizenry so we made it as undecipherable as possible. But why should you care? The Supes will just bring in their own maps that guarantee them the most campaign contributions so they can get the most votes, and whatever we send them goes into the trashpile. Same as 10 years ago."

But keep their feet to the fire, Charlene, to show them that at least one honest citizen cares.

Patsy Fritz

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Cc: Potter, Andrew <Andrew.Potter@sdcounty.ca.gov>; Pettingill, William L <William.Pettingill@sdcounty.ca.gov>;

Ranters Roost <char.ayers@att.net>

Sent: Mon, Jun 6, 2011 11:39 am

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From: CSG, Redistricting 2011
Sent: Thursday, June 09, 2011 12:03 PM
To: Charlene Ayers
Cc: Potter, Andrew; Pettingill, William L
Subject: RE: Not available....: District Maps...

Dear Ms. Ayers,

Thank you for your e-mail forward. Both the County and City of San Diego's community plan areas are visible online through the Redistricting Plan Viewer, as are Census tracts. In the viewer's "Layers on the Map" toolbox, the City of San Diego community plan areas are included in the layer labeled "SanDiego_CP" and the County's included in the layer labeled "Cmty_Plan_County."

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Early on in this process I asked the redistricting staff for maps that showed the Community Planning Areas AND the Supervisor's Districts. Not available.

Census tracts and CPAs? Also not available.

I agree: there is no intention to make this a "public" process. Au contraire, the process has been made as arcane and inaccessible as possible.

But then, what difference would it make if we "publics" did invest time and thought to create a genuine "public plan" ? I'd guess that the majority of people in Valley Center, for instance, would

redraw the line so that we'd snag a Supervisor who would represent residents of our community -- instead of out-of-town developers with designs on it.

But, ludicrously, the Supervisors must approve the arrangements.
And, at least three of them rarely cross each other.
So much for "objectivity" and "open, fair process."
We've all seen what can happen at the last gasp to a General Plan after 12 years of lip-service.

My confidence in the results of public participation, let's say, has not been much inspired. We need much more than new redistricting to turn this Titanic.

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